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THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT UNDER THE DIRECTION AND WITH THE FULL SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT FERDINAND E. MARCOS, ENFORCES THE FOLLOWING LAWS GOVERNING THE PERSONAL USE AND TRAFFICKING IN MARIHUANA, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF THE LAW.

- (1) REPUBLIC ACT 6425 SECTION 8 STATES THAT FOR SIMPLE USE AND POSSESSION (ONE STICK OR MORE), INDIVIDUALS WILL RECEIVE SIX MONTHS AND ONE DAY TO SIX YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND A FINE OF 600 TO 6,000 PESOS (\$81 \$816) UPON CONVICTION.
- (2) REPUBLIC ACT 6425 SECTION 4 STATES THAT TRAFFICKERS IN MARIHUANA WILL RECEIVE TWELVE YEARS AND ONE DAY TO TWENTY YEARS IMPRISONMENT, AND A FINE OF 12,000 TO 20,000 PESOS (\$1632 \$2721) UPON CONVICTION. THIS SECTION ALSO STATES THAT IF THE TRAFFICKER SELLS TO A MINOR HE WILL RECEIVE A 20-YEAR PRISON SENTENCE.

MARIHUANA IS THE PRIMARY DRUG OF ABUSE IN THE PHILIPPINES, UNCLASSIFIED

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AND THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT IS USING ALL LEGAL MEANS TO ELIMINATE THE GROWTH, TRAFFICKING AND USE OF THIS DRUG. SULLIVAN

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